#### NCC Minutes 10/17/05

Present: Lindsay Carroll, Lauren Hill, Bobby Byrne, Ray Konisky, Dave Mason, Ray LaBranche, Alt. Steve Shope, Selectman Janet Smith, Guest Speakers Brian Hart and Phil Auger

Open meeting 7:05 p.m.

# 1) Ongoing Administrative Business

- Treasurer's Report- Read by D. Mason, motion to accept by B. Byrne, seconded by L. Carroll, all in favor YES
- Minutes from Sept.- motion to accept as amended by D. Mason, seconded by B. Byrne, all in favor YES

### 2) Brian Hart of RLT:

7:25 p.m. – D. Mason makes a motion according to RSA 91-A:3 to go into non-public session. Seconded by L. Carroll, all in favor YES.

8:24 p.m.- D. Mason motions to keep non-public session minutes sealed pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 and move into public session. Seconded by L. Hill, all in favor YES

D. Mason motions to commit \$130,000 of NCC funds towards RLT purchase of open space easement in the Town of Newfields. Seconded by L. Carroll, all in favor YES except B. Byrne who abstained.

#### 3) Other Business:

a) Prime Wetlands grant proposal submitted- should by notified mid-Nov.

## b) Bills

-Fran Lane for Piscassic Greenway fees: 04/22/05 \$5,640.25 09/30/05 \$4,705.00

Total \$10,345.25

- D. Mason motions to pay in total, seconded by L. Carroll, all in favor YES.
- Mark West: \$274.00
  - D. Mason motions to pay, seconded by L. Carroll, all in favor YES.

### c) Correspondence

- S.P.N.H.F. offering Coastal Watershed Land Protection Transaction Assistance grants of up to \$3,000 to help with wetlands protection.
- N.H. Conservation Commissions annual meeting coming up

- d) R. Konisky submitted GRANITE update that was requested
- e) B. Byrne looking for contribution from NCC if she receives a bill from cataloguer for writing up estimate.
- f) Next meeting- Nov 21, 2005

### Sealed Portion of Minutes

Brian Hart discussing potential purchase of Cole property by RLT:

Proposal to purchase for appraised value of \$1,185,000. Trustees should be reviewing this coming Friday. Looking at Option Agreement- would require \$50,000 down then gives 1 year to look for funding and finalize the deal. First phase is to do environmental and house inspections. Preferred plan is to protect 69 acres and sell 2 acres with the house. Conservation easement would be sold to the Town of Newfields if willing. Land is ideal access for the Greenway. Easement worth \$795,000. RLT seeking \$200-395,000 from NCC to help.

Discussion amongst NCC members: Projected costs coming up about \$45,000. We should save aside 10% for future costs. Leaves about \$130,000 to potentially contribute.